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In re Application of:

Erich Russ et al.

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OF TWO COAXIAL CONNECTION ELEMENTS

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AMENDMENT

July 2, 2000

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action mailed April 2, 2003, 102003 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Specification:

Please amend the specification at page 1, line 23, to page 2, line 31, as follows:

Such rotating connections are commercially available as so-called ball-bearing slewing rings rims. They are available in various diameters and overall heights (installed heights) so that the correct rotational connection can be chosen for each specific application. Preferred fields of use include building and construction machinery, for example diggers and excavators, as well as cranes, leaf flange bearings and tower structure bearings in large wind energy plants, conveying, lifting and loading/unloading devices, lifting platforms and scaffolding and vehicle cranes, heavy load transporters,

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